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## **CITY NAMES NEW DIRECTOR FOR OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY**

INDIANAPOLIS –Today Department of Public Works Director Lori Miser announced that Anna Jetmore-Vargas will be the next director of the City's Office of Sustainability.

"Anna's global perspective and extensive professional experience with municipal sustainability will be a tremendous benefit to the City," said Director Miser. "Her work has already helped Indianapolis reach incomparable milestones and we look forward to her continued success with the Office of Sustainability."

Jetmore-Vargas served as the founding director of the Indianapolis Office of Sustainability in 2008. She joined Keramida, Inc. a high-tech, full-service sustainability, environmental, health & safety, consulting and engineering firm, she focused on delivering innovative sustainability services to clients in the municipal and not-for-profit sectors. In 2010, she secured a \$10 million grant allowing the City to implement the Better Buildings Program, an innovative neighborhood-scale energy efficiency program that included collaboration with the 2012 Super Bowl Host Committee and other local stakeholders.

"The Office of Sustainability has hit impressive milestones over the last several years," said Jetmore-Vargas. "By increasing environmental awareness, contributing to a healthy economy and being able to transparently measure ourselves, I hope to solidify Indianapolis' role as a sustainability leader."

Outside of Indianapolis, Jetmore-Vargas has conducted economic development research for the Delta Institute in Chicago and led the creation, launch and promotion of a unique ecotourism project in Peru aimed at benefiting local communities and generating conservation funds. She graduated Summa Cum Laude from Earlham College and holds a Masters in Environmental Management from Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.

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